

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowed claims.

The claims have been amended to address antecedent basis issues.

Claims 30, 31, 39 and 41 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) for allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,608,401 to Martin. Applicants respectfully traverse.

Martin appears to describe suspensions in which mixtures involve dry particles in powder form, not suspensions. An advantage of the present invention method of the invention is that the coated, finely divided inorganic solids have an outstanding ability to flow and which can be easily pneumatically conveyed. Based on these properties, the coated particles can be proportioned outstandingly when added to molten polymers. Martin does not appear to describe a product which has such a property, and, therefore, it is not believed that the rejected claims are anticipated by Martin.

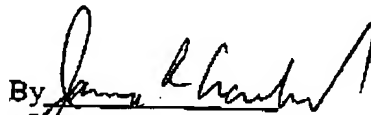
In view of the foregoing, allowance is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in

this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0624, under Order No. NY-DNAG-286-US. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted

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